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\$250,000 Plant In Planning Stage Now

There will be an article in the warrant for the September 29th Town Meeting. It will be an article to authorize the selling of certain lots of land to National Polychemicals, Inc.

National Polychemicals was incorporated but a few months ago. It is a company which will be working with various substitutes for materials in use today, and has made the statement that its products are safe and inodorous, as are the manufacturing processes.

National Polychemicals is buying the land, in South Wilmington, south of Eames Street and between the Woburn Branch and the Main Line of the Lowell Division of the B&M RR. The tract of land which the company is acquiring is about 47 acres in extent. Construction is planned as soon as can be started, and a \$250,000 plant is expected to be in operation within a short time.

The story begins a year ago, last April, when Dean Cushing assumed his office as Town Manager of Wilmington. The tract of land that Polychemical is now buying attracted the attention of the TM. There were a large number of lots and very few of these lots were paying taxes to the town. The land was admittedly unusable, of little value, and promised to stay that way forever. Something that could have been an asset was without doubt a deficit, as far as the Town of Wilmington was concerned.

The TM spoke to the Selectmen about it. Here was a tract of land that was not suitable for homes, but eminently suitable for industrial activities. It lay between two sets of railroad tracks, was not too far from Boston, and had good road facilities to other parts of New England. Cushing spoke of the possibilities to the Selectmen. The Selectmen thought of the difficulties, and told the TM that he didn't have much of a chance.

The difficulties were real. This land was originally part of the old Carter family property, on both sides of the Wilmington-Woburn line, back in the days of the Middlesex Canal.

When the Boston and Lowell Railroad was pushed through, 1832 to 1835, the Carter family sold them a right of way. The rest of the land was divided among the various heirs of the Carters.

One small portion was sold to Asa D. Sheldon, Wilmington's great nineteenth century contractor, in 1848. He sold the land to his sons, Henry and Horace, and then he lost his deed, so that those men had to go back to the Boston and Lowell in 1889, for additional deeds, to cover their property. They then sold the land to a Boston real estate speculator, by the name of Edward S. Eaton.

Eaton bought other land. From
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Town Votes For Rent Control

The Rent Control Ballot was a point of interest, in the Primaries, yesterday. The people of Wilmington voted, 379 to 202 to continue rent control, until April 30, 1953, with 51 blanks being cast.

In the party voting, the Republicans outvoted the Democrats, 449 to 178.

Republican Voting

Governor Herter 418, blanks 31; Lt. Governor Whittier 427, blanks 22; Secretary Mullaney 405, blanks 44; Treasurer, Burrell 156; Papalia 272, blanks 21; Auditor Mintz 410, blanks 39; Attorney General Fingold 416, blanks 33; Senator in Congress, Lodge 418, blanks 31; Congressman Rogers 406, blanks 44; Councillor Sixth District, Atkinson 67; Davis 68, Elwell 27, Gahan 32; Gilman 34; Menasian 3; Viola 167, blanks 51; Senator, Seventh Middlesex District, Evans 312; Blakeney 84, blanks, 53; Representatives in General Court (2) Tanner 276; White 270; Wilkinson 232 blanks 120; Clerk of Courts, Middlesex County, Hughes 294; Jellison 90; Lombard 33 blanks 32; Register of Deeds Middlesex Northern District, Brown 290; Gannon 41; Janas 75; Roy 65, blanks 38; County Commissioner (2) Andrew 196; Applin 52; Callas 7; Chapman 73; Convery 13; Daigle 18; Harding 39; Jennings 32; Justice 23; Lane 8; Lawson 40; MacGregory 27; Magiera 13; Noble 130; Spaulding 83; Sutcliffe 5; Wornwood 14, blanks 125.

Democratic Voting

Governor, Dever 112, blanks 66; Lt. Governor Sullivan 72; Brennan 43; Carroll 13; Kurey 8; Lucey 12; Murphy 18, blanks 12; Secretary Cronin 140, blanks 38; Treasurer Conley 16; Cronin 34; Donelan 8; Furcolo 41; Kennedy 44; Murphy 9; Sullivan 10, blanks 16; Auditor Buckley 144, blanks 34; Attorney General Kelly 78; Capeless 19; Leary 30; Moran 41; blanks 10; Senator in Congress Kennedy 149, blanks 29; Congressman Cullen 127, blanks 51; Councillor Sixth District Casey 44; Bateman 19; Buckley 27; Burke 21; Cunningham 4; Donovan 14, blanks, 25; Senator Seventh Middlesex District, Irvin 138; Representatives in General Court (2) Terwilliger 123, blanks 223; Clerk of Courts, Middlesex County Carroll 19; Crane 11; Ferrick 7; McDermott 35; McDonough 31; Edward J. Sullivan 24; John F. Sullivan 27, blanks 24; Register of Deeds, Middlesex Northern District, Brennan 20; Desmond 62; Finn 10; Finnegan 17; Hannigan 0; Heslin 5; McGlinchey 9; Mulcahey 5; Shea 6; Sheehan 3; Slatery 3; Sullivan 13; Sweeney 7, blanks 18; County Commissioners (2) Cullen 46; Brennan 18; Buckley 15; Burns 4; Campo 8; Corey 5; Coughlin 5; Cullinane 7; Donahue 9; Dumas 6; Errichetti 8; Giroux 27; Hughes 6; Kelleher 8; King 7; Mallett 1; McManus 13; Mullin 2; Charles Murphy 9; William Murphy 5; Murray 40; Rogers 4; Sullivan 19, blanks 66.

SELECTMEN HAVE WARRANT PREPARED FOR TOWN MEETING

The Selectmen have prepared six articles for the Town Meeting, on September 29th, including an article for a new police cruiser to be sponsored by the Selectmen, in order to get rid of certain legal difficulties.

The articles are as follows:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring land for, constructing, and originally equipping and furnishing a grade school building, and determine how the appropriation shall be raised, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise; also to determine as to who shall have charge of such construction and of the expenditure of the funds so appropriated; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and or Town Manager to purchase, to take by eminent domain or otherwise acquire for the Town for school purposes a tract of land situated on the easterly side of Wildwood Street opposite the land recently acquired by the Wilmington Housing Authority, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the Easterly side of Wildwood Street 40.09 feet Southeastly from land now or formerly of William Swain; thence running Easterly by land of Strout and Wing 334.9 feet; thence Swain; thence running Southeastly by land last mentioned 558 feet to land of Barbas; thence running Southwestly by said land last mentioned 304 feet to said Wildwood Street; thence running Northwestly by said Wildwood Street by two courses 364.62 feet and 235.38 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.25 acres more or less and shown as Lot B on Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952, made by S. Albert Kaufman, R.L.S. Malden, Mass., and determine what sum the Town will appropriate for such purpose, how said money shall be raised, whether by transfer, borrowing or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and or Town Manager to purchase, to take by eminent domain or otherwise acquire for the Town for school purposes a tract of land situated easterly of Wildwood Street in the rear of other premises fronting on said street and opposite the land recently acquired by the Wilmington Housing Authority bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 334.9 feet from the Easterly side of Wildwood Street at the Northeastly corner of Lot B on a plan hereinafter referred to, thence running Easterly in continuation of the Northerly sideline of said Lot B 265.1 feet; thence running Southeastly 626.37 feet to a point on the Southerly sideline of said Lot B extended; thence running Southwestly 296 feet along the extended Southerly sideline of said Lot B to the Southeastly corner of said Lot B;

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REV. EARL HAYWARD TRANSFERRED

Rev. Earl D. Hayward, pastor of the South Tewksbury Methodist Church for the past three years has been appointed the first Minister of the newly organized Lexington area Methodist Church, effective September 28th.

Mr. Hayward, while in this area, served as Vice President of the Wilmington Council of Churches, and was former pastor of the Ballardvale Methodist Church.

TM TALKS ABOUT THE POLICE CRUISER

Your reporter again has approached the Town Manager, about the Police Cruiser. As usual, the gentleman was ready to talk.

"Everyone knows what my ideas on the subject are," said the TM. "I feel that we should wait until next spring, and then buy a Ford Ranch Wagon, such as I have already prepared specifications for, and included in the 1953 budget."

"The people of the town voted most decisively, at Town Meeting. It is not for me to oppose the people's vote—after all, they are my boss! I feel however, that legal questions have arisen as a result of the vote that make the purchase of any police car extremely hazardous. It is all right to go and buy a cruiser, but we don't want the town to get snarled up in the process!"

"I have talked the problem over with the Selectmen, and the Selectmen are going to introduce an article in the Warrant, for the Town Meeting of September 29th, in which they will sponsor the purchase of the new cruiser. This will approach the problem from a different direction, and possibly avoid legal complications that are now looming before us."

"I still feel, however, that the car for the Police should be the Ford Ranch Wagon. I have studied it. The Police Department of Quincy uses four of them, and likes them very much. It was on this experience that I based my specifications for the new one in 1953. If we could get one now, based on the vote of the Town, I would be in favor of it, and then we should make it last until the Town Meeting of 1954!"

GROUND OBSERVER CORPS MANS STATION

After some difficulty the Ground Observer Corps has now manned the station on top of the Roman House, which they will use for airplane spotting. The station was manned over the week-end, but is now being manned on a full time basis, according to Chief Observer William Simmons. Approximately 200 volunteers are needed, in order to equally distribute the load, so that no person will have to spend more than two hours a week, in Observer Corps work.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE ARGUES OVER WARRANT

The Finance Committee met in the Town Hall, on Tuesday night to discuss the warrant for the Town Meeting on September 29th. The evening was spent in discussion, without reaching a decision. The Committee voted to adjourn, at midnight, after having been arguing over the Police Cruiser for some time. Next meeting will be on September 23rd.

TM CONFERS WITH STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

TM Cushing spent yesterday with the State Board of Health, conferring on the problems of Harriman's Tannery, in North Wilmington.

The conference was with two of the Sanitary Engineers of the Board of Health, Messrs Wright and Taylor. Wright is Chief Sanitary Engineer and Taylor has made many of the inspections that have been made in this area.

No decision was made as to the exact tactics to be used, according to the TM. There are questions to be settled as to the exact Chapter and Section of the law which is to be used, and as to the use of the Town Manager's evidence, i.e. whether or not to use the evidence in a Court Petition.

The entire history of the tannery was reviewed, by the gentlemen, and more particularly the history since the mid 1930's.

TM Cushing is spending today in the office, in a second conference, which is expected to include Asst. State Attorney General Falters. The TM believes that the suit will be brought by the State Public Health Board, and that this will be better than if it were brought by any municipality.

V.F.W. AUXILIARY WHIST PARTY SEPT. 30

The ladies of the V.F.W. Auxiliary are planning a Whist Party, for the benefit of the Hospital Fund, in the V.F.W. Hall on Tuesday, September 30th.

The Committee in charge includes Mrs. Rose Gatta, Mrs. Helen Miller, Mrs. Madeleine Higginbotham, Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly and Mrs. Mabel Kennedy.

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The Crusader Says HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

Recently, a young lady who graduated from Wilmington High School last spring was awarded a scholarship to M.I.T. We are proud of Miss Blanchard, and wish her well.

Apparently, there are not enough students in Wilmington who realize that there are scholarships available. We would like to take this opportunity to state that there are perhaps a couple of dozen, which, in one way or another are open to Wilmington Scholars. Harland Whittredge, of the High School faculty can give information to any student.

THE COMMUNITY FUND

Next Wednesday, the Community Fund starts its 8th Annual Drive. The Community Fund, a strictly local fund, is trying to get \$3,000 for the next year.

Eight years ago, this fund was started, with the idea of doing away with a number of drives, which were always trying to extract a dollar from the citizen. It was a good idea then, and it is a good idea today.

The Community Fund takes care of people who, through no fault of their own, have become distressed, possibly because their home has burned down, or for some similar reason. It does this without fanfare, and without publicity.

During the past year, we have seen several instances in which private individuals, moved by charity, and not knowing of the Community Fund, have started drives to help a family in distress.

Generally speaking, we disapprove of these separate drives. The chances are that the Community Fund has already taken care of the case, as had happened on several occasions. These separate drives hurt the Community Fund, and negate the high minded purpose behind it.

We urge everyone to support the Community Fund, in order that our local charities be taken care of, properly without having the citizen feel the need to dig down in his pocket, every other week, during the year.

THE NEW SCHOOL

It is apparent, from some of the questions that have been asked this paper, that not everyone understands what happened at the Town Meeting.

We don't quite know ourselves. We haven't had the opportunity to ask some of the gentlemen involved. Without casting any aspersions, it would appear that there was some poor liaison work somewhere, but this is only a guess.

Basically, the Finance Committee had not approved the article, and the other officials thought that this was an important enough matter to prevent any risk from being made. The article was put over until the September 29th meeting.

The School is to be voted at that time. The questions about the site will be voted at that time. In other words, if anyone wants to vote for the school, or even vote against it, it behooves that individual to be present at the Town Meeting, to be held in the High School, on September 29th.

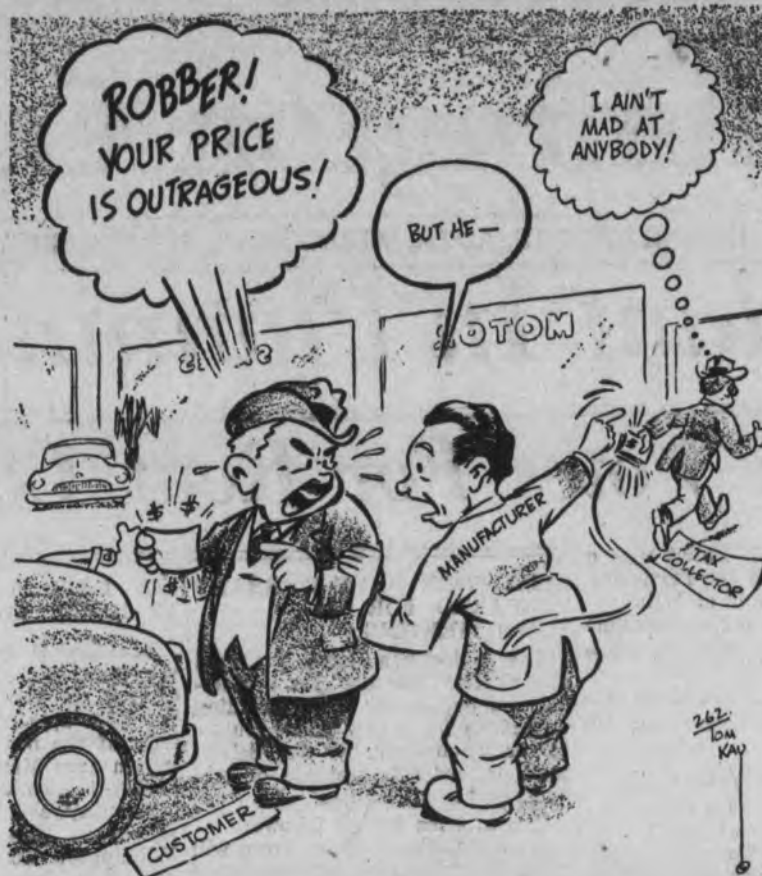
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READERS' FORUM



HOW TO COMBINE BUSINESS AND PLEASURE

The weekly papers of New England are combined into an organization which is designed to let them mutually help and criticize each other. The New England Weekly Press Association, now 3 years old, has been meeting, on a sporadic basis, under the auspices of the School of Journalism, of Boston University.

At a meeting last March, the Maine Press Association made so bold as to propose a Fall conference, to be held in Kennebunkport, Maine. The offer was accepted, but with some reservations on the part of the individual newspapers.

The Maine Press Association had taken on a job for itself. To run a successful convention is not an easy task, and to run the first one, for any organization, is even tougher, because there is no past experience to fall back on. Press, there were a couple of fellows, up there in York County, who didn't understand the meaning of the word Work. Joe Adler, of the Sanford Tribune, and John Banta, of the Colony Hotel, in Kennebunkport, became the workhorses of the Maine Press Association.

Joe wrote letters. He wrote to every individual connected with the NEWPA. He investigated this, and he investigated that, and then he wrote some more letters, all this, of course being done outside of his regular office hours of 16 hours a day.

John didn't have to write letters. Joe had taken care of that, so John took care of the rest.

The Colony Hotel is probably the finest one in a stretch of 50 or 100 miles, along the Maine seacoast, a stretch which includes many fine resort towns. The Colony isn't given over to the "Convention" trade. John had to be persuaded to keep his hotel open for a couple of more days, and he also had to be persuaded that this convention wasn't going to be a rowdy dowdy affair, with which the world is sadly familiar.

Having been convinced, John went to work. He persuaded the Maine Seafoods Industry to invite themselves in, as hosts, along with

the Maine Press Association, and then did the same trick with a couple of other industries.

Menus - Entertainment - Activities. All had to be planned. John was the man, as the President of the Maine Press testified afterwards. The slightest hint was enough to start John on another line of activity, for the enjoyment of his guests.

The Convention is now history. It was very successful. Every newspaper man who was there learned a lot, relaxed a lot, and enjoyed himself a lot.

Now, scattered throughout New England, 175 weekly newspapermen are reflecting on their experiences. Each man has his own individual thoughts and memories, of experiences exchanged. But, too, each man has one memory in common, the wonderful time that John Banta provided, at the Colony Hotel, in Kennebunkport.

FREE SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR WILMINGTON SERVICEMEN

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The Wilmington Crusader, and the Wilmington Post, 136, of the American Legion have made an agreement which, they hope, will provide every serviceman from Wilmington with his weekly copy of his home town news. Both organizations have been concerned with the fact that it is a difficult thing to send all the news to the boys in the ranks from the old home town, and they feel that a subscription to Wilmington's newspaper should help to keep the boys in touch with home.

The American Legion, Wilmington Post is paying for these subscriptions, which the Crusader is selling to them at a reduced price.

Here's your chance, Mothers Dads, Sweethearts and Wives! All you have to do is to send the name and address of Your Man in The Service to Arthur Harper, American Legion Post 136, Wilmington, Mass., and the American Legion will do the rest. A Penny Post Card will do the trick. The reduced subscription rate is not available except to the American Legion.

Guest Editorial

A RIGHT AND A DUTY

The Non-Partisan Retailers' National Get-Out-The-Vote Committee has come up with a catchy and excellent slogan this year. It is "Vote As You Please—But Please Vote."

The coming election is of tremendous importance—it will determine the fateful courses that this nation will take in domestic and foreign policy. On both sides, the candidates, their managers, and their partisans have promised driving, fighting campaigns. Far-reaching and opposed philosophies of government are the real stake in this election. It will be a tragedy if the decision is made, as in the past, by a minority of our people.

Over the centuries, rivers of blood have been shed in the fight for the right of franchise—the right to a secret ballot. For this is the first and the last defense against tyranny. Without the right to vote as conscience and mind dictates, men are slaves—the servants of ruthless masters whose powers know no limit.

We have that right—yet it is common in this country for but half or less of the eligible voters to go to the polling booth on election day. One vote doesn't matter, they say. Yet a bare handful of votes can determine crucial contests—as recently as 1940 a U.S. Senator was elected by a margin of just 20 votes in the huge state of Texas. And when the "my vote doesn't matter" attitude is held by millions of people, we have government by the minority, and no one can say that the will of the people is dominant.

Vote As You Please—But Please Vote.

ARE PROFITS SINFUL?

Writing in U.S. News & World Report, David Lawrence said: "Judging by some of the statements recently broadcast by labor-union spokesmen . . . corporation profits are somehow an evidence of personal greed or illegitimate gain."

Mr. Lawrence briefly defined what profits are and what they do, and continued: "To assail profits as sinful, or tainted with some sort of wrongdoing, is to undermine the jobs of every American workingman and the future jobs of their children."

"For jobs are created by enterprising individuals who put in their own money, or borrow the savings of others, to create enterprises."

"If profits are destroyed—as is the case under communism, facism, or state socialism — then government takes charge of labor unions, too. Liberty disappears all around."

Another fact we tend to overlook is that profits are what keep government itself going. Much of its huge revenues comes from taxing the money business has left after paying wages, material costs, and the other expenses. And, with most corporations, the money paid out in taxes is far greater than the money paid out to the shareholders who make the existence of the business possible.

Profits are essential to a free nation.

HAMILTON (N. Y.)
MID-YORK WEEKLY
(Ind.) asks: (7-3-52)

IS THIS SPENDING NECESSARY?

The Army has ordered 829,000 tropical uniforms at \$125 each. (How much do you pay for your dress suits?)

A recent survey disclosed that 25 per cent of all calls from the Pentagon were personal calls.

Today in the federal government we have 615,567 more typewriters than we have people to use them.

When bureaucracy buys ping pong balls, it requires five and a half pages of typewritten philosophy and written statistics in order to describe what we are trying to buy.

The House Armed Services Committee says that 2 to 5 billion dollars a year could be saved if all the services used a common purchasing catalog. The total amount of money we expected to raise from new taxes in last Fall's revenue bill was only 5.6 billion dollars.

When you buy gaskets for the front axle housing of your delivery truck, do you buy enough to last for 104 years?

CONGREGATIONAL

Parents are asked to bring their children to the Family Sunday service next Sunday morning at 11:00. There will be a service of baptism, and parents are requested to notify the minister in advance if they desire it for their children. The early part of the service will be arranged with the young people in mind. They will sit with their families, not as a group, but after the children's portion of the service is over they will be taken downstairs for the remainder of

the time. At noon there will be an opportunity for all to inspect the new parish house.

The children are encouraged to bring their Children's Day geraniums to the service on Family Sunday. All plants should be marked with the owner's name and brought to the church in time for placement on the pulpit before the service starts.

The Church School will hold its opening session on the following Sunday, Sept. 28th.

The Quaintance Club will hold its regular meeting at the par-

sonage on Sunday afternoon at 5:00.

The Fireside Fellowship will hold its annual Retreat at the church this Sunday, commencing at 3 p. m. The afternoon program consists of a planning session and an address by Rev. Fred K. Swett of North Woburn. Following a recreational period and an outdoor supper, there will be a service of installation for the new officers, which will take place in the sanctuary. In case of rain the entire program will be held in the church.

FINDS LOST WALLET

Albert E. Curtis of North Street, North Wilmington walked into the Police Station about 8 p. m. on Sept. 12th. Mr. Curtis didn't want anything, hadn't lost anything, and had no neighbors to complain about. This, to Deputy Chief Hoban, was a most extraordinary event, and it turned out to be still more extraordinary when Curtis produced a wallet with \$28.00, which he had just found on the sidewalk.

Lois Brown had reported losing

the wallet, less than an hour before. She got it back.

ST THOMAS NEWS

Next Sunday is Children's Communion Sunday.

Masses at Silver Lake Mission are now at 8:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Dance at Villanova Hall, Friday night.

The oil industry's drilling forecast for 1952 is for 45,446 new wells, about 1,000 more than 1951 44,516 completions.

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the various Carter heirs he bought as many tracts as he could. From Dexter Carter, in 1888, he bought two lots of land, totaling about 37 acres, for \$754, which gives the student an idea as to the valuation about that time.

Eaton had a partner, a man named George Raymond. These men had an office at 28 School Street, Boston, and they set to work selling small tracts of land, to anyone they could get on their list. The name of the firm, as they worked in this area, was the Woburn City Land and Improvement Company. The lots were sold for \$10 each, more if Raymond and Eaton could get it.

The Woburn City Land and Improvement Company owned land on both sides of the Wilmington Woburn line. The land was divided into eight sections, and each section was labeled with a letter of the Alphabet, from A thru G. Cooks Hill, across from Warner's Filling Station was partly included in their deals, and a road was laid out there which exactly follows the line of the cliff on the southern part of the hill. Even a mountain goat would have difficulty in following that road.

That particular section that interested the Town Manager were Sections C and part of B, that part that was in Wilmington. Here there were 636 lots of land, each of about 2450 square feet, and almost all of them had very tangled ownership records. Many of them had been sold for taxes, sometimes twice. Some of them were sold for taxes while there was a mortgage in existence, whereupon the mortgagee reclaimed the land, only to have it sold again.

Local speculators bought this tax sale land. Two of the foremost in this were George Griffiths and Lawrence C. Swain. Each man bought perhaps 100 lots. Both of these men sold their land to the Blue Hog Breeding Company, which operated a large piggery in the southern part of Wilmington, and boasted that they were the "Largest Breeders of Blue Hogs in America."

The company was quite proud of its porcine position. Their correspondence was written on stationery which showed a number of blue pigs galloping across the top of the page, and below that bore the slogan "Originators and Breeders of Sapphire Swine."

George Griffith was the treasurer, John Gongdon, Secretary, and the principal owners were Robert L. Ryder of Lexington and Charles V. Ryder of Newton. The company was dissolved in 1940.

When Cushing undertook the job of unwinding this legal mess, the Selectmen told him it couldn't be done. Cushing's first thought was to get a man with considerable knowledge of real estate titles. This was one of the reasons which lay behind the choice of a lawyer for Principal Assessor. Frank Walters, a former Asst. Attorney General was given the job.

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For about a year, Walters, in his spare time, would chase down titles. It was a most discouraging task, and had to be sandwiched in with his other duties as an Assessor.

Then, in 1952, a man named Osberg stopped in at the Boston and Maine Railroad, and asked if they knew of a site which was suitable for industrial development. The B&M wasn't sure, but they thought the Town of Wilmington might have a site. Osberg stopped in to see Cushing. Cushing showed Osberg the site, and explained the difficulties. Osberg was willing to wait, for a while, to give Cushing a chance.

Now, the TM got busy. Walters had accomplished some work, but a tremendous amount still had to be done. Every heir to the owner of every tract had to be chased down, and, as it turned out, heirs were living in La Jolla, California, Corvallis, Oregon, Seattle, Washington, and Greece! To hunt down the owners of 636 lots of land, and then all their children, and grandchildren, and sometimes great grandchildren was the task. There was no getting around it. If the titles were to be clear, either the heirs must sign clear, or the courts must be told that a personal and thorough search was made, a search that exhausted all possibilities.

On July 7, 1952, Cushing called Paul Emmons, an elderly lawyer who had lived in Wilmington for many years, and had an unsurpassed reputation for careful work in real estate. Another lawyer, who had been working a few days had given up, in disgust.

Emmons accepted. A herculean task lay before him. Several of the owners live in "Boston", no more, no less. The last recorded address, in some cases, was in 1889. In one instance, the address was just "Middlesex County!" Imagine trying to find somebody who lived in "Middlesex County" over 60 years ago!

Take the case of the Nissen family. They bought four lots, Nos. 10, 11, 14 and 15, in Block 18, in 1888. One lot was sold to Charles J. Nissen. One was sold to Walter D. Nissen, one to Fred William Nissen and the last to Ella Louise Nissen, all of "Boston, Mass." The town took, for taxes, the three lots belonging to the men, but for some reason overlooked that of the lady. Possibly it was a case of Victorian Courtesy, but it gave Emmons the task of finding a lady without an address, who had probably married somebody with an equally unknown address, and who hadn't been heard of for 64 years!

Then there was the land that belonged to Alice Osabel Merrill. She bought two lots, 21 and 22, of a particular block, and then didn't pay her taxes, so that the town took the land. A mistake was made and in the instrument, the land was described as being lots 21 and 26! Then the town sold lots 21 and 22 (right listing this time, but not town's property, because of the previous error) to George Griffith, who, in turn sold to Blue Hog, which made Blue Hog the apparent owner of land which it didn't own, while the actual owner thought it was no longer hers!

Edward O. Howard was the owner of a large number of lots, in 1894. In 1904 the land was sold by the town, because Howard had not paid his taxes. The joker, in this case, was that the land was sold by Howard, in 1896, and the

deeds given by the town were without value. Howard had sold the land to George Raymond. The town sold it to the Norcross family of Wellesley. Each of the owners believed their titles to be good, and it wasn't until 1952 that the mistake was discovered!

Raymond, incidentally, was quite a problem and, in this case, the TM was the man who cleared it. He had disappeared before the first world war and had left behind him a certain amount of oil well and mining stocks which later proved of some value. A detective agency had been hired to find Raymond, and they had worked for 30 years, without results. Cushing found out that Raymond had died in 1913, in Oklahoma, and that he had been buried in Fitchburg, while his will was probated in Worcester. The case of Raymond has now been completely cleared up, and the Detective Agency was so impressed that they called up the Town Manager and offered him a good salary, to go to work for them.

Emmons decided that the only thing to do was to go back to the beginning and trace out the history of each lot. He went to the Registry of Deeds, in Cambridge and Lowell, and set to work. On one occasion, Emmons spent 20 successive working days, in Lowell just tracing sales. As Emmons dug up heirs, Walter's traced them down. He spent a lot of time, and visited quite a few places in New England, just to clear up each and every case.

The task is not yet finished, but the work is sufficiently well done so that National Polychemicals can safely start to build, in assurance that the property will be their own, without having to worry about some ghost that was supposed to have been buried, in Greece, 50 years ago. There are a few lots of land in which the title is not 100 percent clear, but it is now only a matter for the courts. Everything else has been done. A deficit has literally been turned into an asset.

HEALTH FOR ALL

Food Poisoning

Food poisoning isn't only a summer hazard. Unfortunately, there is an outbreak of food poisoning in some section of the country almost every day of the year. But the possibilities of food spoilage and contamination are likely to increase in summer months as quantities of food are prepared "ahead of time" for picnics and church suppers.

It seems strange that people get sick and sometimes die of food poisoning in a nation proud of its sanitation laws and refrigeration facilities. But modern laws and facilities cannot always protect food which is prepared or served carelessly.

In every season, food should always be prepared under the most sanitary conditions possible. Utensils should be scrupulously clean, sterilized if possible. The person preparing the food should, of course, have clean hands and fingernails. People with contagious disease—even colds—or those suffering from skin ailments should never prepare or serve food.

Prepared food that is not eaten immediately should be carefully refrigerated until served, particularly in warm, humid weather. The majority of food poisoning disasters can be traced back to a lack of proper refrigeration.

Most of the harmful bacteria which get into food and produce poisoning are little organisms known as staphylococci. "Room temperature," the usual degree of warmth in an average kitchen, encourages the growth and toxic powers of the harmful organisms.

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We are not sure just what foods make the best soil for these offending little organisms. But an analysis of food poisoning cases in one state recently revealed that improperly prepared or refrigerated meat products, cream or custard filled pastries, poultry, and milk or milk products were the major sources. It is wise, therefore, to exert extra care in preparing and serving such foods.

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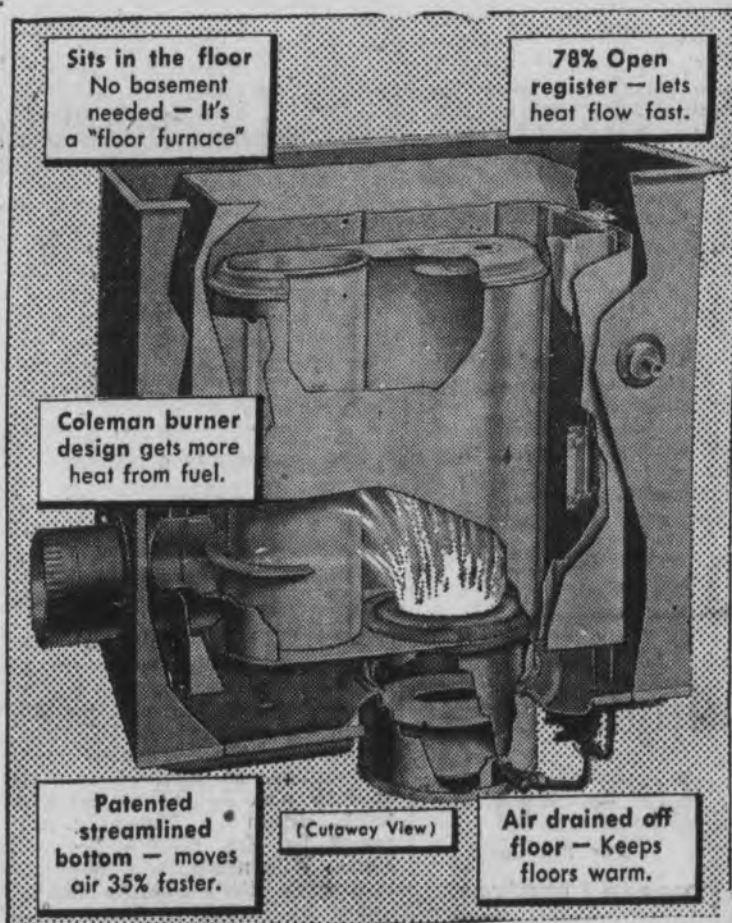
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by Carl O. Clark
Soil Conservation Service

It is now time to think about planting those winter cover crops on land which has been used for row crops this year. Winter rye or wheat are the crops usually used in this area for cover. Some dairymen prefer wheat because of its greater palatability as a forage crop and some sow vetch with wheat or rye to add a legume and to provide greater tonnage. Land that has to be worked early in the spring or land that is wet may be planted to a cover of oats or barley. These two crops winter-kill but provide a cover to prevent water and wind erosion, and offer no problem in preparing the land for planting next spring.

All of these cover crops more than pay their way by holding the soil in place during the winter months and spring rains. They also take up unused plant nutrients left over from the summer crops and store them in organic form where they will be available for the next year's crop. Plant nutrients left over and not taken up by a cover crop and returned to the soil are usually largely lost by leaching or erosion during winter months. Cover crops improve the texture and tilth of the soil making them easier to work and giving them greater water holding capacity.

A small investment in seed and land preparation for the planting of cover crops is certainly money in the soil bank and pays dividends at a very high rate of interest.

For information on cover cropping problems contact a Soil Conservation Service technician at the Middlesex Soil Conservation District headquarters at the Old High School Building, Concord, Mass. The County Extension Service can also give you help with choosing the proper cover crop for your farm.

CANADIAN VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Roy of Naranda, Quebec, spent part of the honeymoon at the home of the Blaquières in North Wilmington.

CPL. EDWARD M. REYNOLDS STATIONED IN JAPAN

With U.S. Forces in Japan is Army Cpl. Edward M. Reynolds, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton C. Reynolds, 833 Woburn Street, recently spent a five-day rest and recuperation leave in southwestern Japan.

He stayed at Camp Nara, one of Japan's most famous resort cities, where the Army has set up an extensive recreational center for combat soldiers enjoying a brief respite from battle. He has since returned to his unit in Korea.

Corporal Reynolds, a tractor driver for the 981st Field Artillery Battalion, has served eight months in Korea. He received basic training at Camp Cooke, California.

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Water HeatersTHE HISTORY OF THE
WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

It was nearly 100 years ago that the first mention was made, in such records as are available, of Wilmington High School.

In 1853, the Town Report records that the sum of \$625 was voted to support all of the town schools, and part of this money was earmarked for a "Select School." There is a record that shows that Mrs. Lucy Dunstan was teacher of the High School,

and that the school had about 30 pupils. There were three terms, Spring, Fall and Winter. This school was held in the basement of the Congregational Church, in a building that stood on the same site as the present Congregational Church.

Apparently some discussion led to the abandoning of the High School, and it was not until 1871 that the town appropriated money for a High School. The term "High School" was apparently not liked, for the citizens insisted that the term "Select School" be used. After a somewhat stormy Town Meeting money was appropriated, and, on September 18, 1872 Miss A. B. Chandler of Andover was engaged as teacher.

The pupils of Wilmington who received High School education, during the Civil War period had to go to out of town schools. Some children attended Reading High School, in a building which still stands, with its back to the cemetery, just this side of Reading Square. Others went to Woburn, and possibly other towns, such as Andover. There is a record, in a journal kept by Deacon Joseph Bell, of the Bell Farm, now owned by Millard Pipes, which shows that in 1866 the Deacon paid \$20.00 for his two daughters, for High School, in Woburn.

The School which started in 1872 was in what is now the Town Hall, which had come into the possession of the town some few years earlier, after the dissolution of the Free Will Baptist Church. The building was also used as a library, and what is now the main entrance was where the library books were kept.

At that time the school was limited in scope. With few exceptions there were no pupils who intended to go to college. There were three classes, after which a pupil who had successfully completed his three years, was presented with a diploma.

The first class graduated in 1874 on June 26th., thereby starting a long list of graduating classes for this institution.

In 1888 the Center School was built, for the exclusive use of the Wilmington High School. It was quite a building, in its day. The

two rooms on the upper floor had a partition which hung on pulleys, with counterweights, and could be lifted into the attic space, thus making one large room.

There are still quite a few people in Wilmington who graduated from this school, and, we believe, there are a few who attended school in the Town Hall.

In 1914 a new High School was built, the present Junior High School. As always, there was controversy about the best location for the new school, and it was finally located in the present site, for which a pond had to be filled in, to accommodate the school.

The new High School did not cost the town very much, by present standards. Much equipment and service was given. The Wilmington Woman's Club donated equipment for the Domestic Science Classes. A fine chemical and physics laboratory, complete with gas for Bunsen Burners was donated, and still other items came from largesses by citizens of the town. Mr. Fred Roberts was instrumental in seeing that much equipment was provided, and two gentlemen, still living and taking an active part in the business of the town donated much time and money.

The Domestic Science Courses, which were started at this time, soon had to be discontinued, as the classes in the High School became larger.

In 1919 a complete change of faculty was made in the High School. There were, at this time, two courses offered, a Commercial Course, and a College Course.

Sometime about 1921 the students started a school paper, which was named "The Alpha."

This was one of the most remarkable school papers ever to be published in the United States. It was written, edited, and managed by the students, and was the only weekly High School paper, in the entire country.

The Alpha was the town newspaper, and was supported entirely by advertisements, which were "drummed" by the students of the school. It ran, for about 15 years, and was a very fine publication, on smooth paper, with many fine stories.

(Your Editor, incidentally, is very anxious to get as many copies of the Alpha as possible, for the Wilmington Public Library. Anyone having old copies is asked to please donate them for the Library.)

The High School continued in this building until the present school was opened, in September, 1950. Through the years it served the people, and educated the children. In 1921 it was found necessary to install a drain, from the High School basement, to Mill Brook, in the rear of the Roman estate, in order to get rid of the recurring waters of the old pond.

Today Wilmington High School is in a fine new building, of which the town may well be proud.

Scholastically, the High School has always enjoyed a fine reputation. It has been classified by the State Board of Education as Class A, since 1915.

FINED IN WOBURN COURT

Warren G. Mahoney, of Shawshen Road, was fined \$5.00 in Woburn Court for driving without a license, and at the same time was fined \$50.00 for driving while under the influence of liquor. Mahoney pleaded guilty on both counts. Prosecuting for the town was Officer Imbimbo.

The complaint was issued as the result of an accident on Main Street, near the Shawshen Avenue bridge, on September 10th, at 6:15 p.m. In the accident, a truck, driven by Mahoney, and owned by Mrs. Gladys Dec, of North Wilmington, was involved in a crash with a pleasure vehicle owned by Bertha A. Youngs, of West Hartford, Conn., and operated by Ephraim E. Orrell, of 276 Church Street, Newton, Mass.

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COMPLAINTS ISSUED
IN WOBURN COURT

Complaints alleging assault and battery, were issued in Woburn Court, on September 12th, against two Wilmington citizens, Rocco

Cipollo and Joseph Cipollo. Complaints were Joseph D'Amelio and George C. Respucci, of Kelly's Hill sector.

The complaints were issued as the result of what was alleged to have been a fight on the hill, during the night of August 29th.

LOST WALLET

William Brosman of 41 Chatham Road, Newton, has reported to the Wilmington Police that he lost a wallet, of brown pigskin, in the vicinity of Wilmington square, on September 12th. The wallet was said to have \$40 and some personal papers.

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By Paul D. Emmons
11th Installment

No finer looking man than Arthur T. Bond ever walked the streets of Wilmington. This may provoke some protesting squawks from some of the competing Beau Brummels who are still extant, but it is at least near enough to the truth to merit a tentative assertion.

He had the vital spark of a rugged individualism. Hid an amazing gamout of muscular strength beneath a gentle exterior; also a

very keen sense of humor which always endear him to certain of his fellow citizens who, being of a literal turn of mind themselves, were irked by his jocular viewpoint.

Whether or not he was expelled from Williams College for putting jallup in the communion wine I am not prepared to state definitely, although there are certain indications pointing that way. It is a well known fact that he was expelled—he used to tell about it himself. I have also heard him tell how two young fellows somewhere on some occasion put jallup in the communion wine. But right here my memory fails me. Possibly he and one of his pals perpetrated this little jeu d'esprit at Williams and were expelled for it, or it may have happened elsewhere.

In any event his expulsion was quite a throwback from his entrance, for he had the benefit of clergy when he entered. Mr. J. Howard Eames remembers that Mr. Tolman, who was then pastor of the Congregational church, fixed a morning date to officiate at a funeral so that he could drive young Arthur over to Williams in the afternoon.

Bond worked for his father as a cracker salesman for a while, then went into the advertising business, calling himself "Bond of Boston." One of his principal clients was Whitehouse Coffee.

He married Minnie F. Dorr, daughter of Dr. Dorr of Medford, in 1875, but the marriage had an unhappy ending. Possibly she was lacking in a sense of humor. There was a divorce, and in 1887 Bond married Sophie Frances Hamblen of Wakefield, who had just as keen a sense of humor as he did. They proved to be a perfectly mated pair who lived happily together until death

parted them when they were about 85 years old.

Bond was living in Wakefield at the time of his second marriage, but his love for his native town drew him back here, and his connection with the Blanchard family coupled with the fact that North Wilmington offered good train service to both Wakefield and Boston influenced him to pick part of the Blanchard farm as a site for his new home. His aunt, Charlotte Bond, had married Walter Blanchard, a brother of Aunt Lizzie Blanchard. Their daughter, Charlotte Blanchard, married William E. Gowing, who bought the Blanchard farm when Aunt Lizzie sold it and left town.

Arthur Bond's only child was a daughter by the first marriage who stayed with her mother after the divorce, and became estranged from her father. But she contested his will when he died leaving an estate of \$50,000 to his second wife's two nieces, Mary R. Towle, an assistant Federal District Attorney in New York City, and her sister, Mrs. Sarah I. Moller.

Bond was very fond of these two nieces, and often had them and their friends at his house. Among them was Katherine Hepburn of movie fame. My sister and I were witnesses in behalf of the will at the trial in the probate court. A compromise offer of \$5000 was made to Bond's daughter who left it to her son to decide. He elected to take all or nothing, with the result that

he got nothing.

The will was sustained. The executor afterwards asked me to look over the papers in Bond's Boston office and see if there was anything in the nature of a history of Wilmington among them. This I did. More about the mystery of the history in our next.

Editors Note: Let our readers be confused by comparison of last week's story of the Benjamin Buck House, and this week's installment by Mr. Emmons, it is probably best to explain that the Congregational Parsonage was originally given to the Church by Mr. Bond, and that Benjamin Buck

Some years later, (1874) the steeple of the church was blown off, in a tornado or hurricane. It came about this time that Benjamin Buck deeded the parsonage to the Church, with the proviso that it always be used as the home of the Congregational minister. If the building is not used for that purpose, it will revert back to the Buck family.

It would appear that Mr. Buck bought the building, and gave it back to the church.

WILMINGTON COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

The Wilmington Church Council met at the Methodist parsonage in Wilmington on Friday evening, September 12th, with all delegates present from the member churches. The resignation of Rev. Earl Hayward as vice president was regretfully accepted, in view of his approaching departure from South Tewksbury for a new field. His successor on the Council will automatically be the next minister of the South Tewksbury Methodist Church.

A report on the observance of Bible Week was received and accepted. The members of the Council

agreed that the time is too short to provide for an adequate commemoration, but it was suggested that the ministers of the various churches make a special presentation on Sunday, September 28th, of the significance of the publication of the complete Bible, in its standard revised version. The new Bible will go on sale throughout the country on September 30th.

The report of the committee on by-laws was made by the chairman, Rev. Otis Maxfield. After amending the proposed by-laws slightly, the group adopted them as the governing laws of the Council. The president thanked the committee for its work, and its chairman agreed to publish and distribute copies to all members.

The executive committee will make immediate arrangements for chairmen for committees on Social Welfare, Worship and Evangelism, and Publicity, the remaining chairmen to be elected at the next meeting. That meeting will be held on November 14th at the home of Mrs. Malinson in South Tewksbury.

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710x15	13.15	9.86	9.20	8.77
760x15	14.30	10.73	10.01	9.53
600x16	10.50	7.88	7.35	7.00
650x16	12.20	9.15	8.54	8.13
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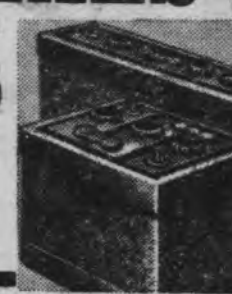
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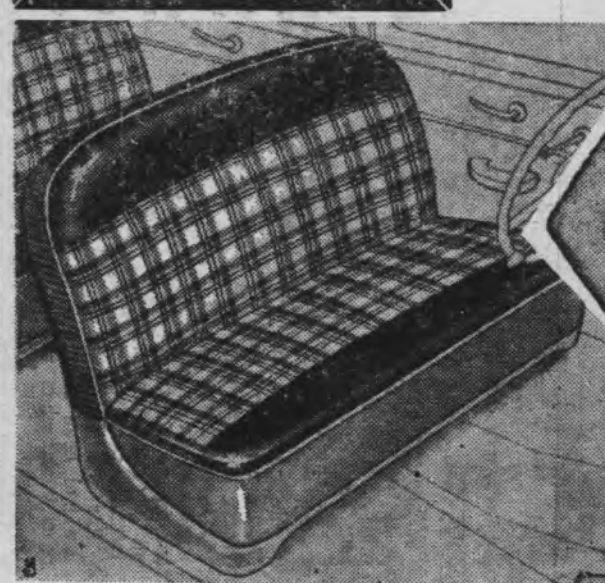
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Middlesex, ss.**PROBATE COURT**

To Sylvia F. Baldwin of parts unknown.

A libel has been presented to said Court by your husband, Robert F. Baldwin praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between himself and you be decreed for the cause of cruel and abusive treatment and praying for custody of minor children.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge within twenty-one days from the second day of February 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

John J. Butler, Register.
S-17-24-0-1Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, ss.**PROBATE COURT**

To Eugene J. Hubbard of parts unknown.

A libel as amended has been presented to said Court by your wife Rosemary C. Hubbard praying that a divorce from the bond of matrimony between herself and you be decreed for the cause of cruel and abusive treatment and neglect to provide suitable maintenance—and praying for alimony—and for custody of and allowance for minor child.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge within twenty-one days from the twelfth day of January 1953, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

John J. Butler, Register.
S-3-10-17**Old Drippy will get into**
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ember Remember, October All Over. It wasn't much of a jingle, but it keeps running through a man's mind. The weather jingle we have been thinking of would go something like this: "July- Dry, August—" That is as far as we have gone, but the idea is there.

September has not been too wet. There was that heavy downfall on Labor Day, and then there was .05 inches last Saturday.

MUSHROOMS

September is a beautiful month to go mushroom hunting, in Wilmington. We found the best specimen we have ever seen of Amanita Phalloides the other day. It was about 8 inches tall, and 6 inches wide, all white. Very beautiful, very stately and very very deadly.

BLOOPER

Well, we have another blooper. When we wrote up the story about the fire of twenty five years ago, we were talking from direct experience. We also checked some of the points with other persons that were involved. One point, that we had carried in our memory for twenty five years, was not mentioned, and your reporter was not corrected in what was an error.

We mentioned, in the story, that a High School boy was present. We had not intended to reveal it, but your reporter was the High School Boy. He had been sitting home, reading a book, when the alarm blew. His memory told him that the alarm blew about 8:30 p.m. Your reporter dropped his book, jumped on his bicycle, and was at the scene of the fire before the fire department. As we say, we had the impression that it was about 8:30 p.m., or perhaps a little later. We have now learned that it was in the early hours of the morning. It must have been a very interesting book.

SCHOOL SIGNS

The "School" signs have again been painted on the highways, near the schools. Last spring, when they were painted, the men who did the work deliberately misspelled words. In one case "School" was spelled "Shcool". In another the letter "S" was reversed, in the style that the characters in "Perry Winkle" use, when they are writing on some handy fence.

The men who did the work told the Crusader about it. They wanted to see if any citizen would rise in righteous indignation, and blast the authorities, for their poor work. No one did.

DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Wilmington has been really fortunate this year. In the early spring there was one case of Dutch Elm, in the southern part of the town, which was quickly removed. There hasn't been another case since.

We are reminded of this because we have seen quite a few trees coming down in neighboring towns, and quite a few more ought to come down.

SAFETY MEASURE

Arrangement have been made for Wilbur Sparks, the Custodian of the Whitefield School to escort the children, when they are dismissed, across the railroad tracks, as a safety measure.

SCHOOL NURSES TO MEET IN WILMINGTON

The School Nurses of the surrounding towns and cities are to meet in the Wilmington High School, on Wednesday Sept 24th and on Wednesday October 1st to discuss the new School Health Plan.

THE TM TALKS ABOUT HARRIMAN'S TANNERY

Your reporter asked the TM what he thought about the situa-

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tion at Harriman's Tannery, when he met him the other day.

The TM grinned. "Boy," he said, "Could I make a pun! But I won't!"

According to the TM, he and others have agreed that a definite decision should be made regarding the Tannery. It is not fair, the TM holds, that both the management and the people in the neighborhood should have to exist in a state of not knowing what the score is going to be. For that reason, the TM is pressing for a definite answer, once and for all.

The Board of Health has issued a "Cease and Desist" order, which the management of the Tannery has not complied with, and the TM is now working on legal action.

A week or so ago, the TM went in to see the County Commissioners. It seemed to be the wrong time, for those gentlemen had something more pressing on their minds.

They told the TM that they knew of no legal precedent, whereby they could assist the town in the problem.

The TM also has visited the Board of Health, in the State House, in Boston. There the reception was better. Cushing talked with Messrs Sterling and Taylor, and they were ready to help, in fact an attorney by the name of Troy has been assigned to the case, and there will be assistance also, from the Attorney General's office.

The Town Counsel has asked to be excused from the case, because of the fact that the defendant would be an old friend and neighbor, and the TM agrees that that is a most remarkable excuse. In view of the circumstances the TM and Selectmen have agreed that Frank Walters will also be present in court, to watch the case from the Town standpoint.

DAV PRESENTS LEASE FOR APPROVAL

The DAV has presented to the Board of Selectmen a lease for property which they intend to use for headquarters and meetings. The lease is being checked by the Town Counsel, and the building will have to be inspected by the Department of Public Safety.

N.E. GAS SENDS ANOTHER LETTER

The Northeastern Gas Company has sent another letter to the Board of Selectmen, requesting reduction of their \$9,000 bond, which had been required for surety against damage suits. The letter points out that some cases have been settled, some are now in the Superior Court and only one case is now pending without definite signs of settlement.

SUIT THREATENED AGAINST TOWN

Mrs. May Cosgrove, through her Attorney, Alfred M. Shamus, of Tewksbury, has sent a letter threatening suit as a result of the work done on Grand Avenue. Mrs. Cosgrove feels that she lost quite a few yards of loam, and feels that she should be compensated at \$1.50 a yard.

WILMINGTON IN EMERGENCY DEFENSE AREA

The TM has received unofficial notice that Wilmington is now included, at least partly, in an Emergency Defense Area. More information is expected.

THE BOARD OF HEALTH LETTER ON THE TANNERY

The TM has received a letter from the Board of Health, rela-

tive to the Harriman Tannery.

September 15, 1952

Town Manager,
Town of Wilmington
Town Hall, Wilmington, Mass.

Dear Mr. Cushing:

In reply to your letter of August 20, 1952, the Board of Health of the Town of Wilmington has determined at a special meeting held August 9, 1952, that a public nuisance exists and is caused by operations as presently conducted at the C. S. Harriman Tannery. Said public nuisance is in the form of an odor obnoxious to humans in the vicinity of approximately one third mile of the C.S. Harriman Tannery.

It is requested that you ascertain the legal steps necessary to successfully abate the nuisance.

Board of Health
Town of Wilmington**PTA BOARD MEETS**

The Executive Board of the Parent Teachers Association met, Monday night, in the Roman House, under the chairmanship of PTA President Paula Rice. The program for the year 1952-53 was laid out. The first meeting of the PTA will be on October 21st.

FOGG REFUSED TAXI LICENSE

Harrison Fogg, who has applied for a taxi license from the Board of Selectmen, and who had been granted one on condition that it be a full time occupation has been refused the license. Mr. Fogg intended that the work be on a part time basis.

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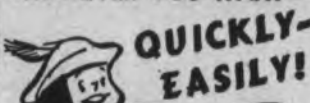
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it

And the house is rent with "The
Cattle Cry"
Like Arnold never sang it.

Only a month! An age it seemed
Since last he chased the cat
Or caught a flying ball, careened
From his brother's friendly
bat.

We're glad he's home, our man-
sized boy;

We missed him so! But then
Will come the Spring, and we'll
yelp for joy
When he leaves for camp
again!

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HIT AND RUN ON BURLINGTON AVENUE

Wilmington Police were called
at 10 p.m. on September 12th by
Joseph E. Beaulieu, of Larkspur
Road, Billerica, who reported that
a car had hit his, and then left.
Property damage had been caused.
No number plates had been seen.
Next morning, Beaulieu called
Officer Imbimbo, and reported
that he had found the car. Officer
Imbimbo went to Billerica, and
Beaulieu took him to 26 Wilson
Street, where a car was found with
the entire left side damaged. The
car belonged to Alfred A. Trudel,
of 26 Wilson Street, who was re-
ported to have signed a statement
before the Billerica Police, admit-
ting leaving the scene. Court ac-
tion will follow.

AUTO ACCIDENT ON SHAWSHOEN AVENUE

An auto accident, on Shawshoen
Avenue, on September 13th, caused
injuries to the left knee of
James Smith, of 12 Newland Ave-
nue. According to the reports to
the police the collision occurred
when a Ford dump truck, operated
by James Gray of Main Street,
Tewksbury came out of Grand
Avenue, and collided into a Ford
sedan, operated by Smith. Smith's
car collided with a tree, after hav-
ing been in the collision with the
truck.

KIDS MOLEST AIRPLANES

As the result of a complaint of
Russel Totman, of the Wilming-
ton Billerica Airport, Wilming-
ton police investigated and found
two Woburn juveniles on bicycles,
headed for home. It was discov-
ered that the youths had been at-
tempting to dismantle parts from
the various planes parked near the
airport.

LOST BEAGLES

John Christopher of West Street
has reported to the police that
two beagles, owned by him, are
missing.

ON MANEUVERS

Charles W. Carpenter, seaman,
USN, of 9 Beacon Street, Wil-
mington, is serving aboard the
destroyer escort USS McCaffery,
one of more than 150 warships
representing the eight nations tak-
ing part in the NATO naval exer-
cise "Main Brace" beginning Sept-
ember 13th.

The exercise is taking place in
the waters off northern Europe
and is providing training in fast
carrier task force, anti-submar-
ine, convoy and amphibious op-
erations. For the purpose of the
exercise, it is assumed that the
NATO naval forces are cooperat-
ing with NATO land forces in the
defense of Western Europe—
against an attack on Europe's
northern flank by theoretical
"enemy" forces.

"Main Brace" is the first exer-
cise involving the forces of the
two North Atlantic Treaty organi-
zation Supreme Allied Command-
ers, Admiral Lynde D. McCar-
mick, USN, Supreme Allied Com-
mander, Atlantic and General Mat-
thew B. Ridgeway, USA, Supreme
Allied Commander, Europe.

Military forces of Canada,
Denmark, France, The Nether-
lands, Norway, Portugal, the
United Kingdom and the United
States are participating.

VISITS IN CANADA

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Blaquiere,
of Andover Street, spent the La-
bor Day weekend in Quebec, at a
family wedding.

RENE J. LARIVEE

Rene J. LaRivee, of Concord
Street, spent the week of August
23 to August 31st with his par-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. Rene La-
Rivee. His address now is Rene

J. LaRivee, A-3, AF 21290210,
3567 Maintenance Squad. 3565
Maint. Squad. Group, Box 199,
James Connally AFB, Waco,
Texas.

NORTH READING WANTS TO USE THE DUMP

The Board of Selectmen have
received a letter from the Board
of Selectmen of North Reading,
wanting to know the terms under
which Wilmington would allow
residents of the western part of
North Reading to use the Town
Dump, on Salem Street. The Se-
lectmen have instructed the Town
Manager to negotiate terms, sub-
ject to their approval.

HEARING ON LIGHT POLE

A hearing, held by the Board of
Selectmen, relative to the placing
of a light pole, on Concord Street,
near Federal Street, was unattend-
ed by any interested persons, on
Monday night. Approval was giv-
en for the new pole.

CHAPTER 90 BILLS FOR 1951 APPROVED

TM Cushing has received notice
that the State has approved the
bills for the Chapter 90 work al-
location, on Middlesex Avenue.

1952 WORK FOR CHAPTER 90 PLANNED

TM Cushing told the Board of
Selectmen, Monday night, that the
planning for the 1952 work under
Chapter 90 has been planned. As
it is laid out, Salem Street will
be widened, and on the easterly
side of Martin's Brook, will be
shifted somewhat to the south of
its present route. Work under the
present plans will go as far as the
Waugh home, which is the last
house in Wilmington, and the
road will be a little closer to the
home than it is now.

It is planned, for future work
(not 1952) to straighten out the
curve just before the North Read-
ing Sanatorium, putting it about
20 feet to the south of its present
location.

NO ANSWER FROM KELLY

Two weeks ago the Board of Se-
lectmen wrote to Attorney Gen-
eral Kelly, asking that the Town
By-Laws, voted last January be
please signed. There has been, as
yet no answer from the Attorney
General.

SCOUT LEADERS ATTEND TRAINING COURSE

On Monday, September 15th,
about 20 adults attended a train-
ing course for Cub Scouts, Boy
Scouts and Explorer leaders, in
Lowell. The course consists of a
series of meetings, under the aus-
pices of the Lowell Council, Boy
Scouts of America. Next meeting
will be on September 22nd at 7:30
in the evening.

BOY SCOUTS ARE TO HOLD BICYCLE CLASS

A Special Meeting of the Boy
Scouts has been called for Sep-
tember 26th in the gym of the
Junior High School. The meet-
ing will be devoted to safety on
bicycles, to which the public is
invited.

Speakers will be present from
the Registry of Motor Vehicles,
and movies are to be shown, rela-
tive to safety on bicycles. William
Rosa of Kendall Street, who start-
ed a Boy Scout Bicycle Club last
spring, is sponsoring the meeting.

BOY SCOUTS CONTINUE WORK ON CABIN

Wilmington's Boy Scouts are
continuing their work on the cabin
at Camp 40 Acres. A work hike
is to be held on September 20-21,
to continue the work. The cabin it-
self is 14 feet by 27 feet, and
will have 21 bunks, and a stove,
fireplace, and places for eating.
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Included in the latest list are:
Charles Allgrove, Edward Neilson,
John Finnerthy, Julius Gordon, Al-
bert Penny, Thomas Daly, Char-
les Rice, Albert Boutwell, Olie
Newcomb, Vernon Thompson, Mrs.
Howard Fish, Henry S. Buck,
Fred L. Robbins, William Morash,
William Rich, John O'Neill, James
Blake, Malcolm Butler, Walter
Geswell, George Smith, Char-

les Black, William Carver, John
J. Allen, Maynard Eaton, John
Murray, Garnet Mills, Rueben
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tersen, Mary Gilligan, Ralph B.
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speakers, for the season, with a talk on Civil Defense.

Massachusetts is ahead of many states, and not behind any state, in its organization for Civil Defense, said MacDonald. The state is divided into 9 sectors, for Civil Defense, and Wilmington, in common with 44 town and 9 cities, is in Section 4. The head of the principal city in a sector automatically becomes the head of the Civil Defense for the Sector, which is why City Manager Flannery of Lowell is the Head of Civil Defense of Section 4. MacDonald is an administrative assistant, for Civil Defense.

Present plans call for dividing Section 4 into five sub-sections, with a city in charge of each section, thus Lowell, Lawrence, and Salem, etc, would each be the head of a section.

In each of the towns and cities, the political head is responsible for appointment of a Civil Defense Director. Thus, in the towns, it is up to the Selectmen, in the cities, it is up to the Mayor, except in those places where the Town-City Manager form of government prevails.

The idea of the Civil Defense is to assist one another. Any city or town that finds itself overwhelmed by the burden, in the event of attack, will expect and get help from its neighboring towns. All municipal employees are automatically part of the Civil Defense set-up, and in addition to that there are a lot of auxiliary workers, police, firemen, etc. The city of Lowell now has 168 Auxiliary Police, all of whom have bought uniforms, thru their own efforts. There is also an Auxiliary fire department of 150 men.

Civil Defense is not a very popular subject, with some people MacDonald said. There are five arguments that we run into frequently.

First there is the "It can't happen here" type. They are sure that everything is safe, and they cannot be bothered. Yet General Vandenberg, Chief of the Airforce, has stated that in any attack, only 30% of the enemy would be intercepted. In other words, 70 per cent of the enemy planes would probably get through to their target.

Secondly, we must remember that at the present time, a hostile nation, which has possession of the Atomic Bomb.

There is still another reaction that we meet, said MacDonald. There is the person who remembers the last war, when people put on their tin hats, and worked hard for Civil Defense. Nothing happened then, and some people are sure that nothing will happen now.

A fourth type of argument that one runs into is the kind, "If anything happens, it will be too late, anyway!" Personally, said MacDonald, I would rather pay a little for some good advice, than have somebody else settle up my doctor's bills.

Civil Defense, if it is going to work, entails in itself a lot of work. We must tell the people, what they must do time and time again, in order that they do the right thing, at the right time, without orders. They must react, almost automatically.

With regards to the Atomic Bomb itself, there are three factors. First, there is the Blast, which can be felt several miles away. A person must be protected from the blast, and the best way

is to be inside a proper building. Secondly there is the "Flash" of light, which can inflict very severe burns. The Third thing is the Nuclear Reaction, which like X-rays, can pass right thru the body without anyone being aware of it. Concrete and lead will stop the Nuclear danger, but anything is better than nothing.

Persons must learn to take cover, in the event of a "Red" alert. Any cover is better than nothing at all.

Massachusetts has a pretty good system of alerting for danger. The State Police Radio System is set up to flash the alert to all parts of the Commonwealth, instantly, and there can be radios purchased which will remain on this circuit at all times. Such radios, which cost about \$175, will not relay the ordinary conversation of the police, but will "come to life" in the event of an emergency, without anyone doing anything about it (on the receiver end, that is.)

Another very important phase, is the post attack measures planned by Civil Defense. Neighboring towns are all prepared to move into a disaster area, and take over. Everyone should be in back of the CD Director, for this reason. The CD cost is small, and the protec-

NOTICE
OF SALE ON EXECUTION

Middlesex, ss.

Lowell, July 29, 1952
By virtue of an execution issued from the Superior Court in Cambridge, within our County of Middlesex, on the first day of July A. D. 1952, in the suit of Joseph A. Notto versus Melvin A. White, I have this day seized and taken and shall sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder on Saturday, October 18, 1952, at ten o'clock in the forenoon at my office, 53 Central Street, in said Lowell, all the right, title and interest which the said Melvin A. White had not exempt by law from attachment or levy on the ninth day of July A.D. 1949 at 9:00 o'clock A.M. when the same was attached on the original writ by Earle C. MacAnanny, Deputy Sheriff, in and to the following described real estate to wit: The land with the buildings thereon, in said Wilmington, situated on the Easterly side of Woburn Street, and being shown as Lot B on a "Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., surveyed by Alexander I. and Caroline B. Mitchell", dated May 7, 1932, recorded in Middlesex North District Deeds, Plan Book 57, Plan 8, said lot being further bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Northwesterly corner of the premises on said Woburn Street at land now or formerly of Freeman A. Bedley, from thence the line runs southerly on a curved line following the line of Woburn Street by two courses, 246.10 feet and 117.03 feet to a point at Lot A on said plan, by land now or formerly of Berretta; Thence turning the line runs Easterly by land last named 208 feet to a point; Thence Southerly by land last named 132 feet to a point; Thence turning the line runs Westerly still by land last named 208 feet to a point at said Woburn Street; Thence turning the line runs Southeasterly on a curved line following the line of Woburn Street, by four courses 22.7 feet, 230 feet, 102.13 feet and 123.17 feet to a point at land now or formerly of Daniel P. Faulkner; Thence turning the line runs Easterly by land last named 719.64 feet to a point at land of Nina T. Fay as shown on said plan; Thence turning the line runs Northeasterly by land last named by two courses 588.96 feet and 326.95 feet to a point still at land now or formerly of Nina T. Fay; Thence turning the line runs Northwesterly by land last named by two courses 359.23 feet and 82.08 feet to a point at land of Bedley; Thence turning the line runs Southwesterly by land last named 380 feet to a point still at land of Bedley shown on said plan as Lot C; Thence Westerly again by land last named 288 feet to a point; Thence Northerly again 110.65 feet; Thence Northwesterly again still by land last named by two courses 147 feet and 302 feet to said Woburn Street, and the point of beginning. Excepting therefrom so much of the above described premises as is included in a deed given by Melvin A. White and Marjorie R. White to Fred L. Greene, dated May 6, 1949, recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 1114, Page 332.

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During this period of professional recklessness, Giese indulged in playful pastimes known as the "Dynamite Drive" and Slide of Death."

The first named stunt consists of driving an old model car over 10 sticks of dynamite which were ignited by electrical contact. The drivers problem is to have the auto blow apart about him and still be able to walk away. Giese was injured only once.

The death slide trick consists of riding on the rear bumper of a car going along at 65 mph and dropping off just as the auto hits a man made inferno of burning gasoline. The participant has to skid through the flames on his back, hopeful that he will reach the outer edge without stopping.

Prior to entering the Marine Corps, the Corporal also was a professional magician and worked for a time with Harry Blackstone. As he puts it, "I didn't do anything too spectacular, though. I specialized in sawing women in half."

The people controlling transportation in the First Marine Aircraft Wing where the Corporal is serving as a combat photographer, regard the lad with a jaundiced eye. When he requests use of a jeep for official business, the

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thence running Northwesterly 553 feet by and with said Lot B to a point of beginning, said tract containing 3.46 acres more or less and shown as Lot A on Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952, made by S. Albert Kaufman, R.L.S. Malden, Mass., and determine what sum the Town will appropriate for such purpose, how said money shall be raised, whether by transfer, borrowing or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and or Town Manager to sell and convey to Edward V. Osberg, or his nominee, and all right, title and interest which the Town may have in and to the following lots or parcels of land, or any portion of the same, located in the southerly part of Wilmington near the Woburn line as shown on the Woburn City Land and Improvement Company's plan of Section B and C recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 4e Plans 134 and 134 respectively, and more particularly described as follows: — (Herein Lot Numbers)

Also all right, title and interest in any and all other lots or parcels in said Sections B and C conveyed to the Town by the deed from the said Norcross Trustees. And also the following Town lots in said Section B, viz: Lots 6 to 12 inc, Blk 29; 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 39, 44 and 45 Blk. 31; 3 to 5 inc. 37 to 43 inc. Blk. 32; 7, 8, 36, 37, 42, 43, Blk. 33; 1 to 5 inc. and that part lot 6 lying in Wilmington, in Blk. 34, together with any other lots in said Sections B and C which the Town may own or have interest in (except those on which the Town merely has inforeclosed Tax Titles) and also together with all rights of every name and nature which the Town may have in, on, or over any and all streets or ways in Wilmington shown on said plans of Sections B and C, be all of said acres or measurements more or less, and determine the price and terms of such sale and conveyance or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to establish and maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, and Acts amendatory thereto, or dependent thereon, and further transfer from Vocational Training 1932-36 Account and appropriate the amount of \$695.24 therefor, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Wilmington School Committee.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise or transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase and equipping of a new police cruiser or do anything in relation thereto.

Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

Hereof fail not and make due

return of this Warrant, on a certified copy thereof with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this —day of September, A.D., one thousand nine hundred and fifty-two.

CRADLE OF CULTURE

A cloudy morning changed into a sunny June day. About ten o'clock we decided to visit the National museum at Louisbourg, Cape Breton. Leaving Sydney and its smoke behind us, we motored over the Mira Road. The ride was interesting. For the first time, I saw mirages on an asphalt road. An apparently wet shiny splash of highway, would appear before us, only to disappear when we reached it. We saw a great many of those mirages on straight stretches of road and even on curves.

It became so warm we took off our coats. Then it became very chilly in the sunshine and my companions told me that we were near Louisbourg Harbour.

The town of Louisbourg was not very impressive. The roads were bumpy and bad after riding the smooth Mira Road. Many of the homes wore a shabby, neglected, appearance outside. Fishermen gathered in small groups along the highway, or trudged along the along the highway wearing heavy rubber boots. The only bright spot was the smile that flashed on the faces of children, when we waved to them, as we passed them on the road. They seemed pleased at a friendly gesture from passing strangers.

We drove through the stone arched gate of Canada's historic park. It did not seem like a park, at least not like our American parks. There were no trees, gardens or walks. The sea crashed a continuous requiem on the rocky shore. The sea gulls mewled their cat like calls, over a scene of vanished glory.

A care-taker opened the museum for us. It was more like a tomb than a museum, but perhaps museums all wear their shadows of ghosts the ghosts of people departed who have left but pitiful relics behind them.

Among the relics was a human skull found under the ruins, knots from the wood and corroded metal hinges from a coffin. The tools and arms used by the people of Louisbourg at the time of the siege and capture, adorn the wall on one side. From the ruined convent only a small cross and a thimble remain.

There is an excellent model of the fortress before its destruction, displayed in the museum. It was a plain orderly little town. There were homes, a convent, hospital, coal yard, icehouse, bakery, billiard tavern, prison and chapel, as well as barracks for the militia.

All the buildings are gone, only the rocks of the foundations remain. The ruins of the original town are scattered about the site. The stone, cut and transported from France by the colonist, was taken to Halifax after the capture to be used in the Capital's public buildings. Many of the relics in the museum have been sent back to Louisbourg by New England people, who probably felt they rightfully belonged there.

Wolfe may have been a great man. There is nothing lovable about the face above the bust in the museum. He had a sharp pointed face, which reminds one of the snout of a fox, clever, cunning, more animal than man, yet still a man who served the purpose of his time.

What appeared to be a long elevated grassy mound, from the museum angle of vision was on closer inspection old bomb proof shelters. They were damp cold, and clammy inside. We did not go in them because moisture like rain was dropping from the sod covered stone-arched roof, and sides. In small openings in the shelters which were either for ventilation, or the nozzle of cannon, dandelions grew and bloomed like house plants would in an open cottage window in France. Queen Anne's lace grew abundantly in the rocky ruins.

Towering breakers rolled in and crashed in a foam of white spray at Wolfe's Cove. A fog horn wailed its monotonous moans. The ruins of the convent and hospital were open to a sunny summer sky. Sea gulls possessed the pond near the old King's Bastion. Sheep with their lambs grazed in and around the ruins or lay peacefully chewing their cuds on the grassy mounds.

The victims and victors were silent, unless their echoes lingered in

the ageless song of the sea, the sky and the shore.

I thought of the words of the old Hebrew prophet Lephaniah, regarding the warlike, adventurous, Philistines: "There shall be no inhabitant, and the sea coast shall be dwellings and cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks."

Louisbourg the cradle of French culture in Canada, in its desolation cries to the minds and hearts of living men, to behold the emptiness of pride and glory. Little lambs leap on the grassy ground. Over the ruins shines the sun. The sea breeze is brisk and lively. The flag of Canada floats serenely above the spot where the French, English, and New England soldiers sleep.

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You go on and on, dropping each bit of knowledge as if it were something you treasured yet had to share with the world. You look up for approval and for some strange reason the room is empty.

Slowly you gaze at the empty chairs, the napkins hastily thrown on the table by the departing guests, the scene of wild con-

fusion. You smile that sweet, gentle, smile of yours and quietly push back your chair. Tonight you've been master of the situation. Tonight . . . for a little while anyway . . . you've been the Answer Man to end all answer men.

No the room isn't empty. One man is sitting down at the end fashioning airplanes from paper napkins and scooting them up into the light fixtures.

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ident William J. Groughwell of
St. Mary's Parish of Winchester,
Secretary, Edward Shelly of St.
Thomas Parish, and George A.
Davidson of St. Agnes Parish of
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LEAVES MEAN DOLLARS
TO THE FARMER

Emmaus, Pa.—The leaves from one large shade tree are worth \$5 to \$10 in terms of plant food and humus!

Leaves are fertilizer, reports Thomas Powell in the September issue of the Organic Farmer, and like all other organic wastes, should be treasured and used to their fullest. The proof of this is the rich black soil that is found when forest lands are cleared and cultivated. These lands produce the finest, most abundant crops in the world.

What makes the leaves so valuable? Pound for pound, the leaves of many of our common trees contain twice as much minerals as manure, reports Powell. The leaf of a sugar maple has a mineral content of over five per cent

and trace elements abide in abundance.

The greatest benefits derived from leaves are their large amounts of fibrous organic material. All types of soil can be improved structurally with the humus-building qualities found in leaves. Heavy clay soils are aerated, and sandy soils are prevented from drying out too quickly. Leaf-producing humus keeps the soil cooler in winter.

The ash, sugar maple, tulip tree and basswood are the highest in minerals and make the best fertilizer in the shortest time. Other common species can be used if they are readily available.

Mr. Powell states that it is important to remember that leaves must be used as soon after they fall from the trees as possible, for they lose much of their humus producing qualities when allowed to decay on the ground. Having a direct plan of action for collecting the leaves is another important suggestion made.

Leaves can be spread directly on the fields and disked several times to break them up, or they can be mixed with manure and composted. Meadow clippings, old straw, etc., can be used to great advantage when composted with leaves.

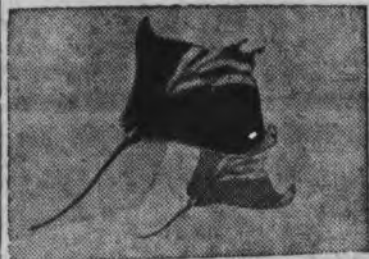
The farmer can do a great deal in enriching his soil with the help of leaves, once thought of as unsightly and a nuisance.

PACIFIC MANTA

Islanders of the Pacific are brave people, but they shudder at the sight of a Manta. The strange ocean giant has broad,

flat fins which stretch out from the sides of its body like the wings of a bat. The natives believe that if a man should get near a Manta in the water, the creature would cover him with its wings and devour him.

This really wouldn't happen,



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Pacific Manta

says the National Wildlife Federation, for the Pacific Manta is harmless to man. But it is enormous, and sometimes its actions are enough to cause alarm.

The most terrifying thing it does is to leap into the air and come down on the water with a tremendous crash. When its wide wings strike the surface, it is like a great hand slapping the waves. On a quiet day, the noise can be heard for several miles.

The Pacific Manta also puts on a big show when it is harpooned. The moment it feels a stab, it dives to the bottom and uses all its weight to keep from being captured. Usually it is hauled in only after a long and exciting battle.

If a deep-sea fisherman does manage to conquer a Pacific Manta, he finds that he has a big trophy on his hands. The creature may measure more than 25 feet wide and weigh more than 3,000 pounds. Even a baby Manta is likely to be five or six feet wide.

Between its two wing-like fins, the Manta has a thick body. At one end is a long slender tail. At the other is its head and mouth. In front of its mouth are two small fins which look like horns. The Manta uses these to scoop all sorts of small fish into its mouth.

It looks for its victims near the surface of the ocean. There, on a sunny day, Pacific Mantas roam alone or in small groups. They

move gracefully, turning their bodies from one side to the other and holding their mouths wide open to catch their prey.

If they are feeling lazy, they bask in the sunshine. But when they are in a hurry, they almost fly through the water, leaping and crashing as they skim over the waves. As they leave the water, a careful observer can see that they are brown on top and lighter underneath. They get darker as they grow older.

Though they are called Pacific Mantas, these members of the ray family are found in many parts of the world. They usually stay in the warm waters of the tropics. They are also known as Devil Rays, Vampire Rays, Sea Bats, and Devilfish.

WILLOW PTARMIGAN

Eskimos have to keep a sharp lookout when they are hunting Willow Ptarmigan, for the big birds are clever at concealing themselves. When snow covers the ground, they're mostly white, with just a little black on their tails. After the spring thaws, they turn up partly brown to match the summer landscape.

Splotches of brown, mixed with some black, cover the male's neck, upper breast, and sides. The rest of his body, in the summer, is mostly white. His tail is dark brown. The female is about the same color, but paler, and there is more white on her head.

Most people in the United States never get to see the changeable birds, because they stay so far north all year. The National Wildlife Federation says that Willow Ptarmigan make their summer homes from Greenland to Alaska. In the winter they come down to central and southern Canada, and only a few of them venture into the northern fringes of our country.

So hardy are the Willow Ptarmigan that they build their nests on the bare ground of the treeless Arctic plains. In a hollow lined with a few feathers, leaves, or bits of grass, the female lays from six to fifteen large eggs. The eggs are a deep, reddish-cream color, with splotches of purple-brown.

After the female keeps them

warm for 26 days, the eggs hatch sometime in July. Both before and after the young birds appear, the male stays near to protect his home against fur-bearing animals and birds of prey.

Getting food for the nesting family is another problem for the parents themselves are big, and the young have hearty appetites. In the summer, while they are still in the far north, they eat the leaves of bushes and trees, together with some insects now and then. For winter meals, they like berries and the tips of tender twigs.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF APPEALS

The Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing, on Thursday, September 25th, in the Town Hall, at 8 p.m. on the petition of National Polychemicals, Incorporated, for the right to build and operate a plant on Eames Street, between the Woburn Branch and the main road of the B&M RR, Lowell Division, for manufacturing of specialty organic chemicals.

(s) Winston S. Chamberlain,
Secretary
Board of Appeals.

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